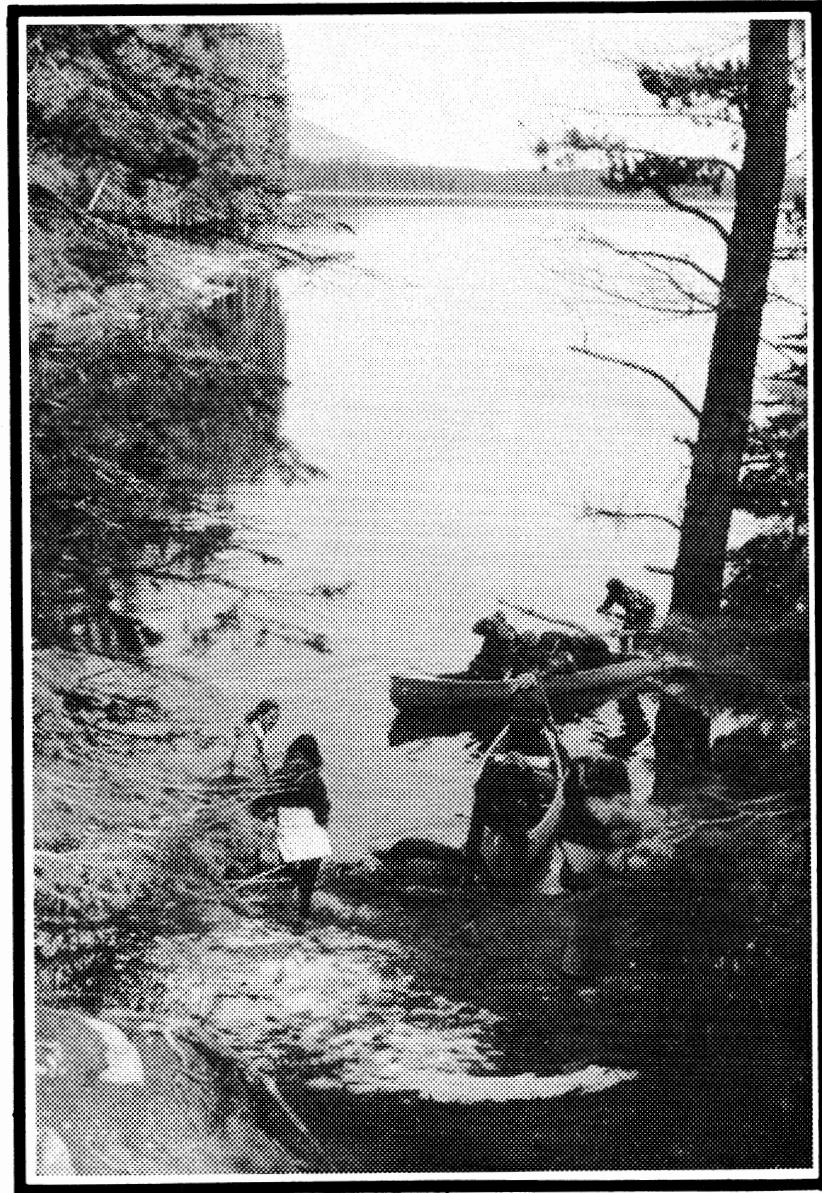


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(Article II of the WMC Constitution)

The purpose shall be to promote the physical and spiritual well being of its members and others by outdoor activities; to unite the energy, interests and knowledge of students, explorers and lovers of the mountains, deserts and rivers of Utah; to collect and disseminate information regarding the Rocky Mountains in behalf of science, literature and art; to explore and picture the scenic wonders of this and surrounding states; to foster awareness of scenic beauties; and to encourage preservation of our natural areas including their plant, animal and bird life.

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Portage String Lake to Leigh Lake—Grand Tetons (1978)—Photo by Desperation
CONTEST! CONTEST! The Rambler needs better than average to good pictures for our cover. See page 38 for details.

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- a) Activities typing format: Month, date, one carriage return, activity and description without hard returns as information is typed, then, three hard returns between each activity.
- b) Type activity first: (HIKE, SKI TOUR, CAR CAMP, etc.) in caps and bold print followed by colon and one or two spaces
- c) Name of activity (GREENS BASIN, CATHERINES PASS SAN RAFAEL SWELL, etc.) in caps, bold print, followed by one or two spaces), degree of difficulty, if any, in parenthesis and not in bold print
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TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE RAMBLER

APRIL 1968

by Dale Green, Historian

From the gossip column: V.P. George Smith (a.k.a. Lonesome George) broke his leg on the Jackson Hole ski trip over Washington's Birthday. Karla Kelner is also nursing a broken leg after an auto accident. T.Q. & Mimi Stevenson have a new girl; Dave and Judy Allen a new baby boy. Mary Fisher drove to Alaska on the Alcan Highway in the dead of winter in a Corvair!

Del Weins, Boating Director, gives members a review of river-running with advice and many photos. It's amazing how many faces in the pictures are still around and active.

The annual Jackson ski trip is chronicled by Julie Heiser. In addition to George Smith breaking his leg (on the last run) it rained much of the holiday, making skiing necessary in "liquid lead". Other remembrances included pushing Phyllis (Anderson) Snyder's "miracle Mustang" for two hours in a blinding snowstorm over a mountain pass.

The last page relates one of the more disturbing stories ever to be printed in the *Rambler*. Over the years we have had a few prospective members who associate with our Club but are not allowed to join for various reasons. One of these was a fellow named Gale Anderson, a friend of former Lodge Director Leon Edwards. Leon and Ann McDonald, at that time Entertainment Director, had formed a brief partnership to operate Cottonwood Books at the mall. Ann had subsequently sold her share to Leon, who hired Gale to assist. (Gale was a person with mental problems and had just been released from the State Hospital after serving a sentence for kidnapping two young ladies). Because of difficulties, Leon had to file charges against Gale for assault and battery and there was a standing warrant for his arrest.

High on pills, Gale forced his way into Ann's house one evening and held her and her daughters and mother hostage for 8 hours. After a scuffle, Gale then went to Leon's house. When Leon's brother, Wayne Edwards, answered the door, Gale shot him dead. In an ensuing gun battle Gale was hit and committed suicide. Leon was critically wounded but recovered. Leon died several years ago from heart problems. Wayne Edwards, though not a WMC member, is remembered for installing the cement porch at the lodge at his own expense and time.

FIFTY YEARS AGO IN THE WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB

APRIL 1943

(From the Broad of Directors Minutes)

"It was suggested that even though we have gas rationing etc. we could still take a good many trips taking the local bus as far as it could go and then hiking from there." Some suggested trips were to Bountiful to pick cherries and to have a strawberry bust in Liberty Park, riding bicycles, etc.

The Directors went on record as definitely being in favor of schedule cards and two scheduled trips per month.

Through the efforts of Edith Green, the Board appropriated \$10.00 for the Wasatch Mountain Club Girl's Chorus annual concert. Free tickets were available to members from Wolfe's store.

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

SKIING

April

- 3 Annual Kings Peak
- 3 White Pine
- 4 Stansbury Mountains
- 4 Mill Creek
- 4 Powder Park
- 10 Days Fork
- 10 Gobblers Knob
- 10 Pinecrest to the Artisan Well
- 11 Leader's Choice
- 11 Mill D North Fork to Dog Lake
- 17 Silver Fork
- 17 Bear Trap
- 17-18 Ski/Snowshoe Overnight in Yurt
- 18 Gourmet Ski Tour

SNOWSHOE

April

- 3 Gourmet Trip

MOUNTAINEERING

April

- ??? Desert Mountaineering Trip
- 30-2 Indian Creek
- May 9 Tanners Gulch

(Note to mountaineers: Ice axes can be rented commercially and the club has a few available to those who are early in registering for trips).

HIKING

April

- 3 April Fools' Peak Winter Hike
- 3 City Creek Twins Hike
- 4 Pencil Point Family Hike
- 4 Craner Peak Hike
- 10 Van Cott Peak Hike
- 10 Cedar Mountains Hike
- 10-11 Hackberry Canyon Backpack
- 11 Big Beacon Hike
- 16-18 Fish and Owl Creek Backpack
- 17-18 West Desert Car Camp
- 17 Stansbury Island Hike
- 17 Perkins Peak Hike
- 18 Grandeur Peak Hike
- 23-25 San Rafael Family Car Camp
- 24-25 San Rafael Reef Car Camp
- 24 Big Beacon Hike
- 24 Adams Waterfall

HIKING

- 24 Grandeur Peak Hike
- 25 Lower Pipeline Hike
- 25 Little Black Mountain Hike
- 29 Thursday Night Hike

May

- 1-2 Dugway Range Car Camp
- 1 City Creek Twins Hike
- 1 Lookout Peak Hike
- 2 Van Cott Peak Hike
- 2 Mount Olympus Hike
- 6 Thursday Night Hike
- 7-9 Arches Family Car Camp
- 8 Promontory Point Golden Spike Hike
- 9 Great Basin Hike
- 13 Thursday Night Hike
- 14-16 2nd Arches Family Car Camp (Con't pg 6)

APRIL VOLLEYBALL

DATES: Apr. 5—12—19—26 at 6:30 pm
MEET: Highland High 2100 S 1700 E
FEE: \$1 Members \$2 non members
CALL: New leader to be furnished next month

THURSDAY EVENING HIKE INFORMATION

These hikes are for members only. Meet at 6:30 pm; all hikes leave the meeting place by 6:45 pm **PROMPT!** When hiking into Wilderness Areas, 10-12 member groups will be formed and started at varying times. All participants must sign the liability release form. Hikes are never cancelled for any reason including bad weather, so wear appropriate clothing. Boots will be required if the trail is in muck or snow. **NO DOGS.** Hikes in Mill Creek Canyon meet in the rear parking lot, Olympus Hills Shopping Center. Enter from 39th S about a block east of Wasatch Blvd. Carpool passengers pay for canyon entrance fee; please bring change. Hikes in Big Cottonwood Canyon meet at the "Storm Mt. Quartzites" geology sign, 2.9 miles up the canyon (rh side from the stop light. Hike organizer: Dale Green.

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

BOATING

April

- 7 Planning Meeting
- 30 to 9 May Owyhee River Trip

May

- 1 Work Day
- 1 Paddle Captain Work Party
- 2 Paddle Raft Captain Class
- 3 Westwater Work Party
- 8-9 Westwater Canyon
- 10 Green River Work Party
- 15-16 Beginners Green River Trip
- 17 Yampa River Work Party
- 20-24 Yampa River Trip
- 25 Desolation Work Party
- 27-31 Desolation River Trip
- 29-31 Payette River Trip

BIKING

April

- 3 Goshen Valley
- 4 Stansbury—Toolele
- 5 City Creek Canyon
- 7 Emigration Canyon
- 10 Midway to Heber
- 11 South Copperton
- 12 City Creek Canyon
- 14 Emigration Canyon
- 14 Beginner Mountain Riding
- 17 Free Day
- 18 Saltair
- 19 City Creek Canyon
- 21 Emigration Canyon
- 24 Mountain Bike Clinic
- 24 Lost Creek
- 25 Ride the Rails
- 26 City Creek Canyon
- 28 Emigration Canyon

May

- 1 Hobble Creek
- 8-9 Moab Weekend

CLIMBING

April

- 1 Pete's Rock
- 8 Pete's Rock
- 10-11 North Guardian Angel
- 15 Pete's Rock
- 22 Pete's Rock
- 29 Pete's Rock

SOCIALS

April

- 17 Newcomers Party at the Lodge

May

- 1 Square Dance at the Lodge

SPECIAL ACTIVITY

April

- 24 Adopt-a-Highway

FROM THE HISTORIAN

I am in the process of inventorying and assembling past issues of the *Rambler*. Eventually, several copies will be bound and placed in our library. To my dismay, several recent issues are missing. They are: MAY, 1987; MARCH, 1989; DECEMBER, 1990. I also need a few copies of the AUGUST, 1992 and SEPTEMBER, 1992 issues. If you have copies in good order (no marks other than the address label) and are willing to donate them, please call Dale Green, (277-6417), and arrange for their pickup.

ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!!

The Club is looking for a part-time Administrative Assistant.

As the club has grown, the work has increased. Finding volunteers to handle the volume of paper-work is becoming more difficult. Someone in this position would allow us to better serve our members while allowing the directors to concentrate on providing continuity, setting policy and developing programs.

Requirements for the position:

1. Wasatch Mountain Club member only!
2. Must be experienced, proficient and have excellent skills in computer data entry.
3. Demonstrated skills in DOS, word processing, spreadsheets and data base management a must.
4. Experienced with Macintosh and IBM compatible computer systems.
5. Excellent telephone and communication skills.
6. Ability to work independently.
7. Excellent office skills.
8. Must be able to work a flexible schedule.

Hours are "minimal" to possibly 40 to 80 hours per month during the summer.

This is a "trial" position, for a period of three months, beginning upon date of hire.

Salary: \$5.00 per hour.

All interested parties please send a letter of introduction and resume by April 15 1993 to:

Linda Kosky, Membership Director
Wasatch Mountain Club
888 South 200 East Suite 207
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

IMPORTANT: READ BEFORE HIKING

ABSTRACT OF PROPOSED NEW HIKING REGULATIONS

Hiking is an inherently risky activity.

1. Don't go on a hike unless you understand the risks and are prepared.
2. If a hike becomes riskier than what you are prepared for, stop.
3. Always make use of common sense, experience and good judgment.

Hikers must take responsibility for their actions.

4. Be prepared for a hike with proper equipment and physical fitness.
5. Stay together on the trail and watch out for others.
6. Talk to the leader to report problems and seek guidance.
7. Walk softly in the wilderness and keep it clean and safe.
8. Obey established rules for recreation on the trail.

Leaders have discretion.

9. You may be ejected for not following rules.
10. You must respect the leader's decisions on the trail.

Leaders have responsibilities to hikers.

11. The leader will plan the hike and explain its risks to you.
12. The leader will sign you in and account for you at the end of the hike.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Only activities approved by the appropriate **WMC Director** can be listed in the Club Activities section of the *Rambler*. Send your proposed activity for approval to the hiking, boating, skiing, etc., director for inclusion in their activity schedule. Those activities sent directly to the *Rambler*, without approval, will not be published.

REMINDER

PARKING INFO: CANYON PARKING NOTE: Even days - down side. Odd days - up side. Check sign in canyon.

HILLSIDE PARKING NOTE: Park on the west side of the parking lot, south of the bank.

THANKS

MID-WEEK MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY Sue Berg (576-0532) is interested in organizing mid-week ski tours throughout the whole season. Please call Sue to set up anything of interest.

MOUNTAINEERING: Anyone interested in coordinating, leading, or participating in any kind of climbing/mountaineering activity this year, please call Kyle Williams (487-9309).

Apr 1 **CLIMBING: THURSDAY NIGHT AT PETE'S ROCK**(Wasatch Blvd. and 60th South.)
Thu Join us for fun and grips on this classic outcrop. This is where we are able to develop
friendship and trust which results in real climbs being scheduled.

Apr ? **MOUNTAINEERING TRIP IN THE DESERT:** Paul Horton will once again lead a
classic trip to some sandstone summit. Last year's Windowblind Peak climb was an
incredible experience. Don't miss this one. Call Paul at (521-4296) for details.

Apr 3 **SKI TOUR: THE VERY ANNUAL (MSD)** Kings Peak tour is again at hand. Conditions
Sat promise to be excellent. It's an MSD tour because of it's length. The skiing is easy if snow
conditions are good—no pieps or shovels are required—standard back country equipment
and clothes work best. We will camp at Henry's Fork trailhead, move out before sunrise and
finish just on the cusp of blackness. Probably 1/3 of the folks will stop at Henry's Fork Basin,
which is very scenic and a worthwhile destination, another 1/3 will stop on Gun Site Pass,
which gives a panoramic view, and the final 1/3 will blast on to the peak. Call Larry Swanson
(594-6859-w, 278-3269-h) or Steve Swanson (484-5808-h) for information and to register.

Apr 3 **SKI TOUR: WHITE PINE (MOD)** Meet Myron Herrick (561-0472) at Hillside Plaza 9
am. Pieps, skins and shovels are required.

Apr 3 **SNOWSHOE TOUR: GOURMET TRIP (NTD)** Enjoy snowshoeing and delicious food
on the third annual gourmet showshoe tour with our leader, Leah Mancini (582-7912). Bring
some gourmet goodies to share. Join Leah at 9:30 am at the Hillside Plaza for a stimulating
mountain experience.

- Apr 3 Sat **HIKE: CITY CREEK TWINS** Richard Zeamer (355-3751) will meet you at 9 am at Shriner's Hospital. Go up Virginia Street to 11th Avenue . There, turn east into the Shriner's Hospital parking lot. We will carpool to the northwest corner of the Chandler Drive subdivision, where the Twin Peaks trail starts. Our destination, a beautiful open peak overlooking all of the Valley. The hike should conclude before 1 pm. Rating: about 2.
- Apr 3 **BIKE: GOSHEN VALLEY** (MOD 44 miles) Roll out the season on rural rolling terrain around Utah Lake. Plan a picnic lunch in Elberta or stop at the convenience store there. Meet Steve Carr at 9:00 am at 7200 S & I-15 Park-Ride or in Payson at Park and Ride by Main Street McDonalds at 10:30 a.m. Helmets required. Call Steve (261-5787) if weather looks chancey.
- Apr 4 Sun **BIKE: STANSBURY-TOOELE** (NTD 29+ miles) Begin at the Stansbury Observatory and ride with Frank Luddington via backroads to Tooele. Enjoy mountain views while we lunch at Pizza Hut or Subway — then go West! on to Grantsville where it's downhill back to the Observatory. Meet at the Observatory at 9:00 am. Helmets required. Call Frank (277-4564) if weather looks threatening.
- Apr 4 **FAMILY HIKE: PENCIL POINT** An easy foothills hike, south of Emigration Canyon. Bring your kids and enjoy the spring air and the view. Meet Bonnie Walsh (485-9837) at 10 am at the east side of the Parley's K-Mart parking lot. Rating: 3.5 but steep in spots.
- Apr 4 **HIKE: CRANER PEAK** Jim Frese (1-882-5222) pioneered this charming hike for the Club several years ago on a day when there was too much snow in the north Stansbury Range. Craner Peak (6,625') is the highest point in the Lakeside Mountains on the southwest side of the Great Salt Lake. There are some deep and winding canyons in gray stone, a couple of old mines with antique buildings and machinery, and an unusual relict pinon pine or two. Meet Jim at 9 am at the Lake Point Union 76 truck stop, at exit 90 on I-80 west of Salt Lake. Rating is unknown: distance is about 5.5 miles with 2,000' elevation gain and some cross-country hiking, with a few steep places. Sturdy boots are called for.
- Apr 4 **SKI TOUR: STANSBURY MOUNTAINS** (MOD+) Call Jim Frankenfield (1-800-289-4403) to register. Leave a message for Jim at and he will call you back with the details. The route and difficulty will depend on snow and weather conditions at the time.
- Apr 4 **SKI TOUR: MILL CREEK** (NTD) Meet Gary Whitney (484-4020) at Hillside Plaza at 9 am. Join Gary for a leisurely trek up the road of Mill Creek Canyon.
- Apr 4 **SKI TOUR: POWDER PARK** (MOD) Meet Clint Lewis (295-8645) at Hillside Plaza at 9:30 am. Experienced snow shoers are welcome. Pieps and shovels are required for telemarkers.
- Apr 5 Mon **BIKE: CITY CREEK CANYON** (NTD 13 miles) Meet Chris Winter (364-6612) at the northeast parking lot of the Capitol at 6:00 pm for this climb. Helmets required.

- Apr 7
Wed **BOATING PLANNING MEETING:** Meet at 7 pm at Gart Brothers, 5550 So. 900 E. in their upstairs meeting room (south part of building).
- Apr 7 **BIKE: EMIGRATION CANYON** (NTD 17 miles) Meet Mark McKenzie (486-4986) across from Hogle Zoo at 6:15 pm for an evening climb. Helmets required.
- Apr 8
Thu **CLIMBING: THURSDAY NIGHT AT PETE'S ROCK**(Wasatch Blvd. and 60th South) Join us for fun and grips on this classic outcrop. This is where we are able to develop friendship and trust which results in real climbs being scheduled.
- Apr 10
Sat **SKI TOUR: DAYS FORK** (MOD) Meet Peter Hansen (583-8249) at Hillside Plaza at 9 am. Pieps, shovels and skins required. If the snow is marginal, call Peter to register.
- Apr 10 **SKI TOUR: GOBBLERS KNOB** (MSD) Call Rich Osborne (537-7627) to register. This trip goes in Butler Fork and out Porter Fork. This will be an all day tour. Limit of 6 people. Pieps, shovels and skins required.
- Apr 10 **SKI TOUR: PINECREST TO THE ARTISIAN WELL** (NTD) Meet Pat Briggs (582-4431) at **6407 Emigration Canyon Road in Pinecrest.** Pat will lead a potluck lunch/NTD ski trip to an artesian well near Pinecrest. Bring a lunch and meet at her house in Pinecrest. Enjoy the beauty surrounding her house. The trek is short but special. Track skis OK but wax or skins recommended. Friendly dogs welcome.*Check with Pat for snow condition day before.*
- Apr 10 **HIKE: VAN COTT PEAK** Hunt for cephalopods with David Vance (486-1878). Meet at 9 am in the upper east parking lot at University Hospital. Rating: 2.7.
- Apr 10 **BIKE: MIDWAY TO HEBER** (NTD 30+ miles) Leader Thom Dickeson may have an Easter egg hunt in store. If not, enjoy the ride over gently rolling hills through pastoral Utah hamlets. Bring a snack for the road. Plan to lunch at a cafe after the ride. Gather at the old Regency on Parley's Blvd. at 9:00 am. Helmets required. Call Thom (967-7970) if the skies threaten anything.
- Apr 10 **HIKE: CEDAR MOUNTAINS** Donn Seeley (595-1747) knows where to find the basalt columns and the cliffy narrows and the aragonite deposits in the Cedar Range. Depending on the weather, he'll try to make a go of one of the above. Expect a moderate cross-country hike with some steep slopes and very likely some mud; bring tough boots. Meet at 9 am at the Utah Travel Council parking lot southeast of the Capitol.
- Apr 10-11
Sat-Sun **BACKPACK: HACKBERRY CANYON** This will be an exploratory backpack up Hackberry Creek in the Paria-Hackberry BLM Wilderness Study Area. Plan to hike 9 miles per day over fairly easy terrain. Limit of 10 participants. Call Mark McKenzie (486-4986) to register.

- Apr 10-11
Sat-Sun **CLIMBING: NORTH GUARDIAN ANGEL** The ascent of this Zion's National Park summit requires basic roped climbing skills. Limited to 10. Call Paul Horton (521-4296).
- Apr 11
Sun **BIKE: SOUTH COPPERTON** (NTD 30+ miles) Wear your Easter bonnet cause Frank Luddington will be decked out to lead this one! We'll parade through southern SL County areas including So. Jordan and Copperton. Bring a snack. Helmets required. Call Frank (277-4564) if weather is ify—but nothing can spoil Easter!
- Apr 11 **HIKE: BIG BEACON** Jon Blakeburn (467-5626) tackles this perennial favorite. Meet him at 10 am at the Fort Douglas Cemetery parking lot in Research Park. Rating: 4.8.
- Apr 11 **SKI TOUR: MILL D NORTH FORK TO DOG LAKE** (NTD) Meet Phil Fikkan (583-8459) at Hillside Plaza 9 am. If snow is marginal, call first to register.
- Apr 11 **SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE** (MSD) Call Marty Barth to register (532-6423).
- Apr 12
Mon **BIKE: CITY CREEK CANYON** (NTD 13 miles) Meet Chris Winter (364-6612) at the northeast parking lot of the Capitol at 6:00 pm for this climb. Helmets required.
- Apr 14
Wed **BIKE: EMIGRATION CANYON** (NTD 17 miles) Meet Mark McKenzie (486-4986) across from Hogle Zoo at 6:15 pm for an evening climb. Helmets required.
- Apr 14 **BIKE: BEGINNER MOUNTAIN RIDING** (NTD) Join Mike Jones, (484-2078) for an early season, off-road adventure. Be at the corner of Virginia St and 11th Ave at 6:00 pm SHARP! Mike will give tips and teach basic techniques geared toward mastering the mountain bike. Helmets Required.
- Apr 15
Thu **CLIMBING: THURSDAY NIGHT AT PETE'S ROCK** (Wasatch Blvd. and 60th South) Join us for fun and grips on this classic outcrop. This is where we are able to develop friendship and trust which results in real climbs being scheduled.
- Apr 16-18
Fri-Sun **BACKPACK: FISH AND OWL CREEK** Phil Giles will lead this moderate 15 1/2 mile loop down Owl Creek and up Fish Creek. Come visit these scenic canyons and see Anasazi ruins. Limit of 10 participants. Call Phil (487-5046) to register and get details.
- Apr 17
Sat **SOCIAL: NEWCOMERS PARTY AT THE LODGE** Come join in the fun beginning at 7:00 pm. Alexis Kelner will be presenting a slide show about the Club and some of the directors will be available to discuss issues with you. Games will be available afterward. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided. This is a POTLUCK, and bring your own refreshments. If you have any questions, please call Randi (972-4435 or 355-9391).
- Apr 17 **BIKE: Free day!!!!** Ride at your leisure
- Apr 17 **SKI TOUR: SILVER FORK** (NTD) Meet Louise Rausch (583-3305) at Hillside Plaza 9 am.

- Apr 17
Sat **SKI TOUR: BEAR TRAP (MOD)** Meet Brian Barkey (583-1205) at Hillside Plaza 9 am. Pieps and shovels required.
- Apr 17 **HIKE: STANSBURY ISLAND** Jim Piani (272-3921) will conduct this hike to the orange cliffs of one of the Club's favorite spring locations. Expect cross-country hiking and some steep slopes; bring good boots. Meet Jim at the Wendy's on 13th East just north of I-80 in Sugarhouse.
- Apr 17 **HIKE: PERKINS PEAK** Join James Janney for a hike to Perkins Peak, the summit on the south side of Emigration Canyon. Expect some cross-country hiking and some great views of Emigration and Parleys Canyons. Please call the leader for meeting place and time (at work from 8:30 to 5, 272-9600; at home, 521-0538). Rating: 5.2.
- Apr 17-18
Sat-Sun **SKI/SNOWSHOE OVERNIGHT TOUR** in a Yurt snow cave or igloo as the group may desire. Limit 12 persons. No experience necessary but participants must meet the leader's expectations of physical/mental condition and have proper equipment. If you are interested or would like to learn more, contact Vince Desimone (1-649-6805) Also read the article in the March issue titled Winter Camping on page 22.
- Apr 17-18 **CAR CAMP: THIRD ANNUAL WEST DESERT** Last year Donn Seeley and several companions scrambled through Hellnmoiah Canyon, ascended Howell Mountain, traversed around a pouroff in Stone Cabin Wash, clambered up the Notch and scrounged for fossils at Fossil Mountain. This year he'll probably do something different. Expect some moderate cross-country exploratory hikes; bring tough boots. Call Donn (595-1747) to register and to try to wheedle this year's destination out of him.
- Apr 18
Sun **GOURMET SKI TOUR (NTD)** Gale Dick (359-5764) will meet at Hillside Plaza 10 am. It's time for the great annual Gourmet Ski Tour!! Dress up as formally as you like for the party and bring treats enough for several people. Non-dessert items are especially welcome. We will set up as we did last year where the White Pine and Red Pine trails separate. This is a short easy ski tour—snow shoers welcome. **Think Sunshine!!**
- Apr 18 **BIKE: SALT AIR** (NTD 26 miles) Do the "pedal stroke" with Ellen Jenkins to the great Saltair. Meet at 9:30 am at West Valley Park (4566 W 3500 S) for this out and back ride. Call Ellen, (265-0553) if the weather conditions look threatening. Helmets required.
- Apr 18 **HIKE: GRANDEUR PEAK** If snow conditions permit, we will try once again, for the third year, to revive an old tradition: Grandeur Peak from Church Fork in the spring. Meet at 9 am at Skyline High School, east parking lot. Call leader Phyllis Anderson (943-8500) if you have questions. Rating: 5.7.
- Apr 19
Mon **BIKE: CITY CREEK CANYON** (NTD 13 miles) Meet Chris Winter (364-6612) at the northeast parking lot of the Capitol at 6:00 pm for this climb. Helmets required.
- Apr 21
Wed **BIKE: EMIGRATION CANYON** (NTD 17 miles) Meet Mark McKenzie, (486-4986) across from Hogle Zoo at 6:15 pm for an evening climb. Helmets required.

- Apr 22
Thu **CLIMBING: THURSDAY NIGHT AT PETE'S ROCK** Wasatch blvd. and 60th south. join us for fun and grips on this classic outcrop. This is where we are able to develop friendship and trust which results in real climbs being scheduled.
- ✓ Apr 23-25
Fri-Sun **FAMILY CAR CAMP: SAN RAFAEL LEADER'S CHOICE** Julie Tanner will be leading this trip to some unspecified but wonderful place in the ever popular San Rafael Swell area. Be prepared for primitive camping. Four wheel drive or high clearance vehicles are needed. Call Julie (466-1958) to register.
- Apr 24
Sat **MOUNTAINEERING: FREMONT PEAK** A one day ascent from Elkhart Park. Call Steve Walker to register (466-7032) as numbers are always limited.
- Apr 24 **ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY CLEANUP:** The WMC has adopted the stretch of highway between the Knudsen Corner interchange of I-215 and the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. We need to keep this highway clean because it has our name on it. Children eleven and up may participate. Provided by the Highway Department: orange vests and trash bags. Provided by WMC to all who participate: juice and pop. Provided by participants: a pair of gloves. Meet at 9 am at the west end of the Park & Ride at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. This is a qualifying activity for prospective members. Call Linda or Mark Feller (562-5428) for more information.
- ✓ Apr 24 **HIKE: BIG BEACON** Meet Randy Long (943-0244) at the east exit of Pioneer Trail State Park on Sunnyside Avenue, east of Hogle Zoo. This hike is a steep climb up a ridge. Rating: 4.2.
- ✓ Apr 24 **HIKE: GRANDEUR PEAK FROM THE WEST** This approach to the summit is quite steep but provides excellent views of the Salt Lake Valley. Meet Tad Mrozowski (487-3570) at 9 am at the Skyline High School east parking lot. Rating: 6.7.
- ✓ Apr 24 **HIKE: ADAMS CANYON WATERFALL** Rating about 3.5. Meet Bill Strickler (1-773-6701) at 9:30 am at Smith's Food Store in Farmington. From SLC, take I-15 north and take the Hwy 89 exit. Go north and park at the west end of Smith's.
- Apr 24 **BIKE: MOUNTAIN BIKE CLINIC (NTD)** Get off the asphalt and on the dirt! Clinic will cover basics for mountain bike riding. We'll practice along the foothills of the Avenues and U of U Hospital. After lunch we'll regroup for practice in selected areas of Emigration Canyon. Meet Lade Heaton (277-8832) at 9:00 am—in the parking lot north of Shriners Children's Hospital on Virginia St and 11th Ave. Helmets Required. Bring lunch or we'll stop somewhere on the way.
- Apr 24 **BIKE: LOST CREEK (MOD)** This 43 mile ride is an "out and back" course from Morgan to Lost Creek Reservoir. The road to the reservoir (which is a newly designated State Park) was paved last year, opening up a whole new canyon for recreational cycling. The terrain is mostly flat to rolling, with a slight incline up to the reservoir and 7.5 miles of the course is along Interstate 84. Bring a picnic lunch. Meet Elliott (968-7357) at Riverside Park in Morgan, at 10:00 am. Helmets Required.

- Apr 24-25 Sat-Sun** **CAR CAMP: SAN RAFAEL REEF** On Saturday, explore the North Fork of Iron Wash in the San Rafael Reef BLM Wilderness Study Area. On Sunday, enjoy a moderate to long hike up Ernie Canyon and down Iron Wash. Enjoy spring where desert meets the reef. Limit of 10 participants. Call Will McCarvill (943-5520) to register.
- April 25 Sun** **BIKE: RIDE THE RAILS** (NTD 26+ miles) Ride half of the rail trail from Wanship to Echo Junction, 13 miles on a gentle grade through Coalville and past Echo Reservoir. Lunch at Kozy Kafe in Echo and return on the road grade or on highway—as the group wishes. Meet in the rail trail parking area east of Spring Chicken Restaurant in Wanship at 9:00 am. The rail trail is suitable only for mountain bikes as the ballast is not fully stabilized. Helmets required. Layered clothing recommended. Leader Bob Weirick (533-0989).
- Apr 25** **HIKE: LOWER PIPELINE TRAIL IN MILL CREEK.** After Tad has struggled up the west ridge on Saturday, Duane Call (485-2980) will be strolling along the pipeline trail on the south slope of Grandeur Peak on Sunday. Meet at 9:30 am at the former Bagel Nosh at Olympus Hills Mall to carpool (no parking). Estimated rating is 2 or 3.
- Apr 25** **HIKE: LITTLE BLACK MOUNTAIN TURTLE HIKE** This easy-paced hike will run along the the south ridge of City Creek Canyon and has a great view. Meet Marc Hutchison (355-3227) at 9 am at 11th Avenue and Terrace Hills Drive (900 East). Rating: 7.5.
- Apr 26 Mon** **BIKE: CITY CREEK CANYON** (NTD 13 miles) Meet Chris Winter (364-6612) at the northeast parking lot of the Capitol at 6:00 pm for this climb. Helmets required.
- Apr 28 Wed** **BIKE: EMIGRATION CANYON** (NTD 17 miles) Meet Mark McKenzie (486-4986) across from Hogle Zoo at 6:15 pm for an evening climb. Helmets required
- Apr 29 Thu** **HIKE: THURSDAY EVENING FOOTHILLS HIKE** Meet in the northeast corner, Western Institute parking lot just south of the Fort Douglas Cemetary. Drive east on Wakara Way (600 South) from Foothill Blvd. to 501 Chipeta Way. See "Thursday Evening Hike Information" on the "Events at a Glance" page."
- Apr 29** **CLIMBING: THURSDAY NIGHT AT PETE'S ROCK** (Wasatch lvd. and 60th South) Join us for fun and grips on this classic outcrop. This is where we are able to develop friendship and trust which results in real climbs being scheduled.
- Apr 30-May 2 Fri-Sun** **MOUNTAINEERING: INDIAN CREEK** in southeast Utah. Steve Walker will lead the excursion with dozens of options for routes of all difficulties. Register by calling (466-7032)
- Apr 30 May 9 Fri-Sun** **BOATING: OWYHEE RIVER TRIP** (Class IV) This is a long and strenuous trip in Southwestern Idaho. There are portages of rafting gear and portages or lining of rafts involved. Previous experience on difficult water is required. This is a beautiful, remote area that may not be available to river runners in the future (see Conservation Director's column). Call Tim and Liza Poole by April 14 (619-924-2877) with questions or to sign up.

- May 1
Sat **BOATING: WORK DAY** This is an important function to attend. Rafts need patches and foot pockets glued on. Frames, oars, boxes, kitchen sets, stoves, first aid kits need work, etc. Meet at the WMC boating shed, 4317 South 300 West, #8 at 9:30 am. Both experienced folks and those not so experienced in repair work are needed.
- May 1 **BOATING: PADDLE CAPTAIN WORK PARTY:** For all who are attending the May 2 river class. Meet at the WMC boating shed, 4317 South 300 West, #8 at 1:00 pm.
- May 1 **HIKE: CITY CREEK TWIN PEAKS** Meet Howard Wilkerson (277-1510) at 10 am at the U of U Medical Center upper parking lot to caravan to the trailhead. This double-top peak above the Avenues presents a spectacular view of the Wasatch Front from Salt Lake City to Mount Timpanogos. Hiking boots are required; expect an easy to moderate pace. Rating: around 2.
- May 1 **HIKE: LOOKOUT PEAK** Mark McKenzie (486-4986) will attempt to reach this 9,000 foot summit above Killyon Canyon to welcome in the month of May. Meet at 9 am at the Pioneer Trail State Park east exit on Sunnyside Avenue, north and east of Hogle Zoo. Rating: 7.5.
- May 1 **SOCIAL: SQUARE DANCE AT THE LODGE** Potluck Eats, and bring your refreshments. Cost is \$5. Contact Randi (972-4435 or 355-9391) for more information.
- May 1 **BIKE: HOBBLE CREEK (MOD)** This 40 mile ride tours both forks of Hobble Creek Canyon. The course, which has a little less than 1900 feet of elevation gain, is an especially scenic spring time ride. We'll ride both forks, then rendezvous at the top of the Right Fork for a picnic lunch. Meet Elliott (968-7357) at Springville City Park, in Springville at 10:00 am. Helmets required.
- May 1-2
Sat-Sun **CAR CAMP: DUGWAY RANGE** Travel the Pony Express Trail to this seldom visited West Desert mountain range. Discover enticing peaks, nearby mountain bike trails, and maybe even a long-lost cache of gold nuggets. Call Aaron Jones (467-3532) to register and for details.
- May 2
Sun **HIKE: VAN COTT PEAK HIKE** Meet Cherry Wong (272-4353) at 10 am at the east parking lot of the U of U Medical Center for this longtime standard. Rating: 2.4.
- May 2 **HIKE: MOUNT OLYMPUS** George Swanson (466-3003) will lead you on this classic spring hike up the quartzite slabs. Meet at the Mount Olympus trailhead near Pete's Rock on Wasatch Drive at 9 am. Rating: 8.3, with minor exposure.
- May 2 **BOATING: PADDLE RAFT CAPTAIN CLASS** (Class I-II). This class will be taught by Ken McCarthy on the Weber River, an easy run for learning and practicing new skills. Raft control and teamwork will be the main goals, but some river safety discussions will doubtless occur. Cost approx. \$25 plus any transportation expenses. Send \$25 deposit to Janet Embry or call (322-4326 or 321-3148).

- May 3 Mon** **BOATING: WESTWATER WORK PARTY** For all who are going on the May 8-9 trip. Meet at the WMC boating shed, 4317 South 300 West, #8 at 6:30 pm.
- May 6 Thu** **HIKE: THURSDAY EVENING FOOTHILLS HIKE.** Meet at the north end of the far east parking lot, University Hospital. For more particulars see "Thursday Evening Hike Information" on the "Events at a Glance" page.
- May 7-9 Fri-Sun** **ARCHES ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY CAR CAMP** This is an annual Mother's Day Car Camp and general spring celebration. We have a group campground reserved. Bring your kids! Call Noel DeNevers (581-6024-W or 328-9376-H) for info and reservations. Limited to 10 cars, 35 people: **don't come without a reservation!!!**
- May 8 Sat** **HIKE: PROMONTORY POINT GOLDEN SPIKE HISTORICAL SITE** More history than hiking on the north side of the Great Salt Lake, about 90 miles northwest of SLC. Meet at 8 am to car pool at the Utah Travel Council parking lot, southeast of the State Capitol; expect to reimburse your driver. Bring water, wear sun protection: hat, lotion and sun glasses. A chance with friends to see train replicas, walk an abandoned railroad bed, admire back breaking construction and appreciate national history. Hiking estimated to end 2 pm; afterwards, consider swimming at Crystal Springs in Honeyville, or visiting Corrine or Bear Lake. Contact Frank Atwood (299-8264) for details. Estimated hike rating: 3 or 4.
- May 8** **MOUNTAINEERING: SNOW CLIMBING COURSE** Learn the proper methods of ice ax self arrest, and roped safety. With the huge levels of snow this year, many popular hikes will require this knowledge for safe passage. Register with Rich Osborne (537-7627). Ice axes can be rented commercially, and the club has a few available to early registries.
- May 8-9 Sat-Sun** **BOATING: WESTWATER CANYON (Class IV).** This is a cold water, high water trip that is really Class IV at high water and could get very serious in the event of a swim or a flipped raft. George Yurich and Kerry Amerman are the leaders, and will be screening applicants for skills and proper gear. Send \$25 deposit or call (546-2665) to discuss your qualifications.
- May 8-9** **BIKE: MOAB WEEKEND** Meet Lade Heaton at 9:00 am Saturday morning at Rim Cyclery in MOAB. We'll do some slick rock riding on Saturday and see if we can roll into an adventure Sunday am. Helmets required. Call Lade(277-8832) for lodging ideas and details.
- May 9 Sun** **HIKE: FIFTH ANNUAL GREAT BASIN DAY HIKE** Donn Seeley has scheduled this annual event somewhat later this year to keep pace with the snow. As usual, the hike will take in an obscure but lovely peak somewhere west of Salt Lake City, with great views of the Great Basin. You can expect cross-country travel on rugged terrain and very possibly some exploration, with estimated rating about 7 or 8. Call Donn (595-1747) to register and get details.

- May 9 Sun **MOUNTAINEERING: TANNERS GULCH SNOW CLIMB** Apply what you learned yesterday! This is a classic trip, involving the triple traverse of Dromedary, Sunrise, and Twin Peaks. Crampons and ice ax knowledge required. Participants must be prepared for a strenuous outing. Register with Kyle Williams (487-9309).
- May 10 Mon **BOATING: GREEN RIVER WORK PARTY** For all who are going on the May 15-16 trip. Meet at the WMC boating shed, 4317 South 300 West, #8 at 6:30 pm.
- May 13 Thu **HIKE: THURSDAY EVENING FOOTHILLS HIKE:** Meet at the Mt. Olympus trailhead about 1/4 mile north of Tolcat Canyon, at 5600 Wasatch Blvd. See "Thursday Evening Hike Information" on the "Events at a Glance" page.
- May 14-16 Fri-Sun **SECOND ARCHES CAR CAMP** Same as first but for 35 different people. Call Julie Stoney Mason (278-2535 H) for info and reservations: **don't come without a reservation!!**
- May 15-16 Sat-Sun **BOATING: BEGINNERS GREEN RIVER TRIP** (Class I-II) Open to those who want an easy introduction to river running, either rafting, kayaking, canoeing, or small inflatables. Send \$25 deposit or call leader Janis Huber (486-2345)
- May 17 Mon **BOATING: YAMPA RIVER WORK PARTY** For all who are going on the May 20-24 trip. Meet at the WMC boating shed, 4317 South 300 West, #8 at 6:30 pm.
- May 20-24 Thu-Mon **BOATING: YAMPA RIVER TRIP** (Class III+) This is a beautiful canyon trip through Dinosaur National Monument for those whose skills and cold water gear are up to the challenge. Send \$25 deposit to Barbara Green or call her at (466-7702).
- May 25 Tues **BOATING: DESOLATION WORK PARTY** For all who are going on the May 27-31 trip. Meet at the WMC boating shed, 4317 South 300 West, #8 at 6:30 pm.
- May 27-31 Thu-Mon **BOATING: DESOLATION RIVER TRIP** (Class III) High, cold water will again be the rule. This is a lovely 5 day wilderness trip in a deep Utah canyon. Send \$25 deposit to George Yurich and Kerry Amerman, or call (546-2665).
- May 29-31 Sat-Mon **BOATING: PAYETTE RIVER** (Class II+ to IV) No trip leader yet, so the destination could be modified to leader's choice. Call Randy Klein (944-9070) to volunteer to lead, or attend the planning meeting on April 7 to see what's going on. After April 7, call Randy or Janis Huber (486-2345) to inquire.

FROM THE SKI TOUR COMMITTEE

PARKING: For tours meeting at the Hillside Plaza (7000 S 2300 E): Be sure to park south of the bank so parked cars will not interfere with shoppers.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Jul 2-5

BIKING: BIKE AND CHOO CHOO III This ride has been so popular that it has become an annual affair. This year we are changing the itinerary a little. We will start in Durango on July 8, take the 8:30 am train to Silverton and bike the 50 miles back. The next day we will drive to Silverton and bike on down to Ouray where there are beautiful and soothing hot springs. Then onto Telluride for a ride up to Lizard Head pass and back, driving home on Monday pm. We'll stay in camp grounds and do group cooking to keep expenses low. Total mileage for 3 days of riding: 125: biking all downhill with a tailwind except for a mile of uphill (vertical that is). This is arguably the most scenic paved road ride anywhere. Costs: Train ride \$25—Food, camping, and driving approximately \$50-75 depending on number of people. We will have an organizational meeting and barbecue at Ralph and Donna Fisher's house, 7411 Hitching Post Dr. in Pinebrook near Park City on Sunday, June 6 at 6:30 pm. Bring something to barbecue and pot luck dish. Call Bob Wright (1-649-4194) by June 1 to register for this trip.

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DIVE AND SAILING TRIP to Roatan in the Bay Islands of Honduras. Contact Vince Desimone (1-649-6805) to express your interest or to learn more. Limit 16 persons. See article in this issue for more information.

DANCE! SING! LAUGH! BE WILD!

Wild Utah Earth First Presents

Dana Lyons and Long Wolf Circles
in a Performance for the Ozone Layer

An evening of daring entertainment and important ozone action information. The show begins at 7:30 pm at the Indian Walk-In Center located at 120 W 1300 S in SLC on April 6th.

For more info, call WUEF! at 262-0128, ask for Sue Ring (a-ling).
Zounds like fun!!!

Tatshenshini River Trip, Alaska, June 21-30. Some Club members are organizing a 10 day (125 mi) trip and are looking for other interested people. The Tat is considered one of Alaska's premier wilderness rivers and was recently featured in Sierra and Canoe magazines. More information: JP Bonn (364-5130), Jan Nystrom (487-4519), or Tony Ackerman (594-5569).

FROM THE BOATING DIRECTOR

by Randy Klein

You'll notice five May boating trips are advertised in this issue. Realize that river trips require the leader to schedule pickup trucks, rental vans and trailers, shuttles, the number of rafts, etc., so please be courteous to our volunteer leaders and send in your deposits early. Also, the May Owyhee and Westwater trips are for Class IV competent boaters. So if this is not within your ability level, pick a less strenuous trip. Leaders will be screening applicants for these two trips with extra care.

Note the planning party on April 7, and the work day at the shed on May 1. These are important events. The work day is especially important this year because of the busy and difficult May schedule. In past years, we have had many kayakers and canoeists coming to maintain the rafts. Anyone who rafts with the Club should feel some responsibility for attending a work party once in a while. The alternative is to hire out more of the repairs, which would drive up fees for rafting with the Club.



FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Jerry Hatch

It was Teddy Roosevelt who referred to the presidency of the United States as, "a bully pulpit." Which, no doubt, it is. The presidency of the WMC is different, that difference being best summed up by my significant other's saying, "...for heaven's sake don't preach to them, Jerry...."

Right.

Still, I thought that before I got into reporting on the minutes of the last Board meeting, I might write a little something on an issue facing the Club. You know, keep those of you who don't make it to Board meetings, (and general membership meeting,....ahummm), somewhat informed on what's going on in the inner sanctums of the Club.

As I begin my presidency,, the biggest issue facing the Club, (well, if not the biggest issue, at least the one which most strongly caught my attention), is this question of leadership and "followership". Tom Walsh asked me to do what I could to keep this issue alive, because quite frankly, it is very important to us. As Tom and others have pointed out, we could lose the Club over this issue. To quote Tom, "We've never been in legal trouble before, but it's been close."

I suspect that this might change because society, as we all know, is becoming more and more litigious. To quote our hiking director Donn Seeley, who did extensive research into the legal mishaps which have befallen some of the other hiking clubs in the western U.S., "...juries will award damages for the flimsiest of reasons." It's a new era!

I think we've all been and are still aware that hiking, skiing, mountaineering, etc. are potentially hazardous activities—but we figure, we are grown adults and are responsible for our own behavior. We can and did what we wanted; if we got hurt—well, that was nobody's fault but our own. I respectfully suggest that if we want to avoid a disaster for the Club, we may have to reconsider this attitude. Donn said it quite well when he stated, "We can't control a lawsuit. Once a lawsuit goes to a jury, it's anybody's guess as to what will happen." And since that is the case, we need to design the Club to be accident free.

Right now various Club members, including Tom Walsh, Donn Seeley, Will McCarvill, Dale Green and Randy Klein are doing preliminary work on a leader's manual, which will also include information for participant. Hopefully it will be out early this summer. Still, with the Club's high activity season about to start, I'd ask you to be very careful. Safety should be on everyone's mind. The key to making the Club accident free is a slight change in attitude by everyone. Two things I'd like to suggest that would help: completely avoid hazardous situations AND keep the group together.

I suspect this isn't going to be easy for us, because we've always prided ourselves on being wild and crazy guys and gals and we've taken real risks in the past. (I know that I have anyway). We don't like having our style cramped by an unusually slow member of the group: we like going at our own pace, do our own thing. That's in the past. Now folks, we've got to do it differently. We must adapt to this new litigious world, or we simply won't survive.

SUMMARY OF THE MARCH BOARD MEETING

by Jerry Hatch

Wick Miller spoke on the Heliski issue, explaining the various difficulties facing the Helicommittee. He mentioned that Save Our Canyons has raised \$1500 to match WMC's earmarked contribution for this cause.

Donn Seeley was elected Vice President, Dale Green, Historian.

Karen Caldwell reported on our efforts to renew our Lodge permit. A committee was formed to address the permit issues. One of the main issues has to do with hooking up the Lodge to the canyon's sewer system. (More to come later). John Veranth added some insightful comments on this continuing problem.

The board will meet again on Wednesday, Apr. 7, at 7:30 pm in the basement of the H&R Block building (address on back page). The pre-meeting will be at the Cafe Trang at 818 S. Main. (My predecessor felt the need to warn the membership that most meetings of the Board are boring. In keeping with traditions, you are forewarned).

HELISKI UPDATE

By Wick R. Miller

The joint WMC & Save Our Canyons Helicommittee met February 23. Present were Gale Dick, Bob Athey, Milt Hollander, Steve Lewis, Wick Miller, and Rick Steiner, along with our lawyer, Penny Buell, who is working thru Jeff Appel's office. Penny brought us up to date on action she has taken. Penny presented us with a set of recommendations on how next to proceed, and the committee acted on the recommendations. So by the time you read this, you will know that action has been and is being taken.

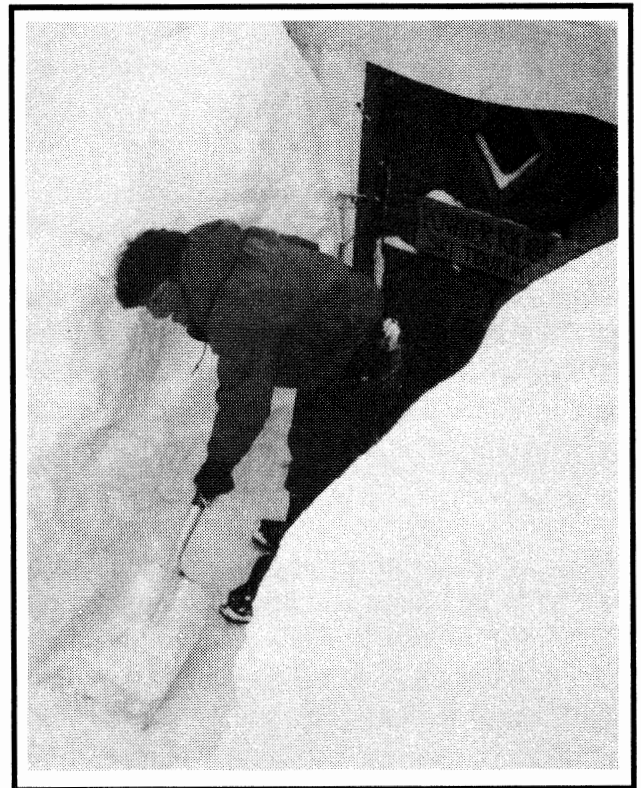
Gale Dick reported that Save Our Canyons had raised \$1,500 to match that of WMC to put in our war chest in the fight against helicopter pollution in the Tri Canyon area.

From the Rafting Coordinator

by Janet Embry

Ease into the rafting season with a day of instruction, Sunday, May 2nd. Ken McCarthy will be teaching skills to motivate a crew and maneuver a raft on the Henefer to Tanner Falls section of the Weber River. The Weber is small enough that you're not likely to get into too much trouble but technical enough to begin to read water and learn how to react to what you see. Those of you who have taken River Rescue know that Ken is an extraordinary instructor and group leader. The rest of you can take my word for it.

Come help us get the equipment sorted out for the season on Saturday, May 1st and hop right into using it on Sunday. If you are interested, give me a call at 321-3148 or 322-4326.



Watching Leslie Woods dig herself out of the Yurt makes some of us look forward to rafting with Janet. Photo by Kyle Williams

FROM THE HIKING DIRECTOR

by Donn Seeley

April is our first month of hiking with a (mostly) full schedule. A warning to folks who want to hike on Sunday, April 4: daylight savings time starts that morning at 2 AM! Don't forget to set your clock ahead.

We weren't able to find leaders for all the hikes and overnight outings that we wanted to schedule in April and early May. Three hikes and two car camp / backpack events went unfilled. Our volunteers on the committee worked their fannies off, but the leaders weren't there. We desperately need experienced hikers to lead outings. If you are an experienced hiker and a WMC member, and would like to lead a trip for the WMC, please call our volunteers (for May: Tom Walsh and Mark McKenzie for day hikes, Will McCarvill for car camps and backpacks) or me, Donn Seeley (595-1747), and we'll sign you up. We especially need volunteers for family and newcomers events.

Charles Lesley, bless his heart, has been mailing ten or more release forms each week to hike leaders during hiking season for years, for which the committee is immensely grateful. He is now stepping down and we don't have a replacement yet. Bear with us while we reorganize. If you would like to help with release form mailing, please contact me.

From the New Entertainment Directors

by Randi Gardner

With the new membership year comes new officers and once again the Entertainment Committee consists of two CO-directors. Socials during April through June and October to December will be scheduled by myself, Randi Gardner, while Mary Ann Losee will pick up July through September and January through March. We have planned the calendar with activities we hope you will enjoy. Upcoming events include a rock and roll dance, a star party, a coffeehouse, the Old-timers Party (of course) and more.

One member suggested, in the form of a request, that we add more dances to our schedule. As directors, we would like to have more dances; we would like to see an activity take place every weekend from now through October at the Lodge; and keep the Sunday socials going strong. BUT, in order to fill your social calendar with a lot of fun activities, we need willing volunteers to host them. This is a terrific way to meet new people, make new friends, and feel an integral part of the Club. If you feel your energies and maybe some of your many talents lie in this area and/or if you have any new or innovative ideas for activities, call either of us and make yourself be known. My number is 972-4435 and Mary Ann's is 278-4587. We will be glad to consider your ideas, suggestions, and most of all YOUR HELP!!!!

Bombing the Owyhee Wilderness

by Tim Poole

In May I will kayak a river that's as scenic and exciting as the Grand Canyon. However, the Owyhee River requires no five year wait for permits, has no maximum time limit, and is closer to Salt Lake City. The rapids are more challenging and it is more remote and solitary than the Grand Canyon. Grant Amaral states in his Idaho whitewater book, "Paddlers are so few here that desert bighorns wander up to investigate them." I'll take 8 days to do this 113 mile stretch allowing time for some outstanding hikes in the numerous side canyons. If the boating wasn't so great, I'd do a backpack trip here. The area offers 52 rock art sites, 35 rock shelters/caves, and 4 historic cabins/line shacks. The region is famous for its raptors which include hawks, eagles, falcons, vultures, osprey, and owls. Other exciting wildlife include mule deer, pronghorn antelope, bighorn sheep, wild horses, mountain lions, bobcats, coyotes, and river otters.

Unfortunately, this is the Conservation column, not the Club Activities! This season could be an adventurer's last chance to explore the Owyhee canyonlands before it is part of an Air Force bombing range! Yes, bombing range! I don't need to describe how a bombing range would destroy this large pristine area. Instead, I'll give you a run-down on what has happened, what is happening, and how you might change what will happen.

Last year, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was completed concerning a new "composite" flying wing at Mountain Home AFB, Idaho. It was a dull EIS except where it discussed the lack of local facilities to meet the new wing's training requirements. The existing Saylor Creek Range is not large enough to safely accommodate multiple flights of aircraft simultaneously, has limited targets and run-ins, and lacks options for laser bombing practice. The Air Force would like to solve these problems by building a new bombing range in the Owyhee wildlands. They are currently writing a new and separate EIS as a first step to do this.

The new and separate EIS will be everything but dull. The draft is due out in June. Three months of public comment will follow. The final EIS should be published in September. If Congress funds this new range, construction could begin as early as spring next year (1994)!

This proposed range is ludicrous and must be stopped! The Air Force's training complaints are valid, but there are superior alternatives. The Utah Test and Training Range (UTTR) is within reasonable commuting distance for fighter aircraft and contains land, airspace, targets and training opportunities that dwarf the proposed range. The new wing could combine its training between the UTTR and its existing Saylor Creek Range. The colonels at Mountain Home dislike this option because they would not have absolute control over the UTTR. The UTTR is controlled and scheduled at Hill AFB, Utah, but is underutilized and very available to the Mountain Home wing. I conclude that the proposed range is a convenience to the new wing, not a necessity!

Fortunately, Congress is not overly enthusiastic about the proposed range (mainly for fiscal reasons). Help kill this issue by writing your congressmen. For Utah's, make sure to mention the UTTR alternative. Utah legislators will like this option since it would bring more revenue to their state. Also remind them the new tax increases were to cut the deficit, not to fund new military bombing ranges which are expensive not only to build, but also to operate.

Don't limit your actions to congressional letters. Call Butch Peugh, (208) 384-3076, and ask for a copy of the draft EIS for the proposed Idaho Training Range. (Butch works for the Idaho BLM who currently manages most of the Owyhee area. I'd give you an Air Force contact but they seem to change monthly!) The draft EIS will tell you where to send written comments. Each of your comments must then be addressed in the final EIS.

Everyone reading this article should feel obligated to act on it. You can be pro-military and still agree the proposed range is a waste of resources and tax money. Congress can understand this logic. If we show them our awareness and anger, there is a real shot of stopping this needless destruction of wilderness! If you'd like to further discuss this with me, my temporary (until April 15) phone # is (619) 924-2877.

CENTRAL WASATCH HELISKI COMPLAINT FORM

This is a citizen generated complaint form and is not a Forest Service document. Please report information honestly, accurately and soon as possible. Timely feedback will allow government, private and public interests to better analyze and work at resolving winter conflicts in the Central Wasatch that exist between canyon residents, users and heliski operations. Please print, use the back side if necessary and attach copies of other complaints that may relate to yours.

Name(s) _____

HomePhone _____ WorkPhone _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Date & Time Of Incident _____

No. of People In Your Group _____ Are Statements of Supporting Witnesses Attached _____

Names of Witnesses _____

Canyon, Drainage, Area _____

Describe Helicopter, Color and #ID: _____

Do You Have Photos or Videos To Support Claim? _____

General Complaint _____

Specific Complaint _____

Specific Action
You Would Like Taken _____

Signature _____ Dated _____

Mail or deliver originals to Forest Service District Office with copies to Save Our Canyons, the FAA and optional copies To Wasatch Powderbird Guides Inc.

Forest Service District Office 6944 South 3000 East, Salt Lake City, Utah 84121
Federal Aviation Administration Flight Standards, 2400 West 116 North, Salt Lake City, UT 84116
Citizens Committee To Save Our Canyons P.O. Box 58671, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-0671
Wasatch Powderbird Guides Snowbird, Utah 84092

WASATCH POWDERBIRD GUIDES HELISKI REPORT SUMMARY

DECEMBER 92 - FEBRUARY 93

[Does not include Totals for March-April of 93]

Days WPG Ship Flew 38

Days Custom Ship Flew 8

Days UPG Ship Flew 1

Weekends That Ships Flew 9 out of 13

Partial Ship Trips

Outside Central Wasatch 4 [Cascade and Bountiful Sessions]

On all of the 38 days heliski ships flew, there was always a ship flying in the geographical region of the Central Wasatch. A Custom Ship flew to Cascade Mountain and Cascade Ridge on three separate occasions and the UPG ship flew on its only reported trip to the Bountiful Sessions. On these same four days, the WPG ship was always flying in the Northern Powder Circuit. The resulting number of days that ships operated exclusively outside of the Central Wasatch is, **ZERO**.

Bombs Thrown 200

Bombs Thrown In NPC 200

Area Visits by WPG Heliski Ships

CENTRAL WASATCH

Northern Powder Circuit 33 [33/38 = 87%]

American Fork 11

Millcreek 8 Includes Lambs & Box Canyons ?

Lambs & Box Canyons ?

Snake Creek 4

White Pine 3

Park City 2

OUTSIDE CENTRAL WASATCH

Cascade Mountain 3

Cascade Ridge 1

Bountiful Sessions 1

Heliski Trip Totals For The 38 Days Heliski Ships Flew

Guides 191

Guests 794

Total 985

Guide Runs 1,522 22%

Guest Runs 5,442 78%

Total Runs 6,964

*Figures on this sheet and on the attached monthly summaries come from WPG heliski reports that are turned into the Forest Service District Office bi-weekly.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Linda Kosky

Membership renewal applications and activity surveys for the membership year March 1, 1993 to February 28, 1994 were mailed February 15. Current membership expires as of February 28, 1993.

Members who joined in December, January and February will not receive a renewal application, as their membership has been extended through the next club year.

All other members, please complete your renewals and activity surveys and return as soon as possible, but no later than April 15th. This is the final cut-off date for membership renewal without a reinstatement fee. Renewals received after that date will require a \$5.00 reinstatement fee, in addition to the required dues amount. Those members who have not renewed by April 15th will not receive a May Rambler.

If you have not received your renewal by March 1, please call, leave your name, address and telephone number and I will arrange for another copy to be mailed. My phone number is: 943-1871.



REQUESTS FOR TRAINING PROGRAM AND PERSONAL LIMITS FOR HIKING

by Frank Atwood

I intend to write an article about training for hiking the "big" one. I want your advice. My motivation is that this summer I've got less time to train (fewer kitchen passes), but I still have a goal: on July 26, successfully hike Longs Peak, the highest peak in Rocky Mountain National Park. How should I maximize my training? Please write me at 4247 South Hwy 89, North Salt Lake, UT 84054-2457 or call me at 299-8264.

For the *May Rambler* I want to submit an article about your hiking experiences training for or suffering from the "big" hike of a summer. Please provide me with your theories, practices, experiences no later than April 10th. Press deadline for me is April 13th. This is your opportunity to let others profit from your hard won experiences.

Please provide me with your training theories and comeuppance or vindication experiences. Specifically, I'd like to hear comments about:

A) One set of marathoner's rule of thumb is: You can run three times further than you train, then you will hit the "wall". Have you practiced or paid for following this advice?

B) On the other hand, Jeff Galloway's marathon training recommendation seems to be: Short training at least 3 times a week. One long run every other week, increasing difficulty by no more than 10-20%. Run your race distance three weeks prior to the race. Avoid back to back weekend workouts. Get rest; avoid injury.

How have you tried and successfully or unsuccessfully avoided injuries, slumps, sickness, embarrassing yourself and inconveniencing the trip leader. What didn't work? What has worked best?

In advance I thank each of you who respond with your curiosity, experiences, and wisdom.

FROM THE MOUNTAINEERING DIRECTOR

by Kyle Williams

Well, the season is starting off with a bang. We've got some great trips planned. Standby for news!

Special thanks to Steve Walker, Rich Osborne, and Jim Highsmith for helping on the mountaineering committee. If anyone else would like to help plan, coordinate, or participate in any kind of mountaineering activity, please feel free to call me.

April marks the beginning of Thursday night climbing. We'll climb at Pete's Rock on Wasatch Blvd. and 60th until things warm up and dry out up the canyons (although I did see some climbers up on Tarzan on the Gate buttress last week).

Thursday Night Climbing has been a WMC tradition for years but has been poorly attended in recent times. Some blame it on the ban of selling beer! That may be, but c'mon folks! beer can't be the reason we climb! Let's get out and have fun and get back in shape. This is a great opportunity to hone our skills and meet new climbing partners.

Last month I mused on the "Why?" of climbing. I ran into something I liked. "Not because it's there." but "Because I'm here!" Climbing has to do with the sheer joy of being, of doing, of experiencing. Try it! You'll like it.

FROM THE SKI TOUR COMMITTEE

TO PROMOTE SAFER AND MORE FUN SKI TOURS, THE SKI TOUR COMMITTEE WILL REQUEST SKI TOUR LEADERS TO READ THE FOLLOWING TO THE MEMBERS OF EACH TOUR THIS SEASON:

"It is your responsibility to be prepared for this ski tour with proper clothing, food, and equipment. It is also your responsibility to stay with the group!"

On the uphill climb:

The Tour Leader suggests/requests that the uphill skier never loses sight of the person following. This way the group will stay together and be able to help any skier with problems.

On the downhill:

The Tour Leader suggests/requests before starting, we form groups of 3-4 skiers with equal ability, selecting one from the group to be Group Leader. The Tour Leader will note the Group Leaders' names before starting down. During the downhill portion each Group must stay together. We will regroup at the selected locations on both the uphill portion and downhill run.

From the Bicycle Coordinator(s)

There was too much snow. . . too much skiing. . . had rusty chainrings. Sound like good excuses for a late bicycle calendar? Even though we got off to a slow start—let the rides begin!!!

We are looking forward to a great bicycle season and welcome all WMC members to “get on the road” and go for a ride or two.

We'd also like to express appreciation to those cyclists who have taken on bicycling coordinating responsibilities during the past seasons, Rick Gregorson and Lade Heaton and all leaders.

A special Thank You to Elliot Mott who has brought bicycle riding and touring to an art for us. He not only leads numerous rides, he has also published several course guides that are extremely well written which makes riding pleasant for all.

See you all on the road.

Kathy Hoenig

Frank Luddington

Chris Winters

Mark McKenzie

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FROM THE KAYAKING COORDINATOR

Thanks to all the people who have volunteered to help with the Beginner boating trip. I still need volunteers to help with the beginner kayakers and one person to help with the beginners on the oar rig. Please call me at (801)-486-2345 to volunteer.

Janice Huber

Preparing for the Kayaking Season

by Janice Huber

By now I'm sure you have eyed your kayak sitting in the basement or out in the garage. You may have also looked at your equipment to assess the new equipment you will need (or want) to buy. I would like to take a minute of your time to talk about the preparations you are considering to get your body in shape. Sure pool practice may tone your skills, but I would like you to consider some extra exercises to make those first trips out this season enjoyable. Although I am by no means an expert, I have a couple of suggestions for stretching and toning.

Stretching. Stretching is a good idea before and after you exercise. A good time to do these is at pool practice or before/after you've exercised (say a good cross country ski tour!). Some important muscle groups that are used in kayaking are: the neck, the shoulders(!!!!!), the back, the sides or oblique muscles, and the wrists. Stretches should not involve pulling the muscle so hard that it is painful.

Toning. I also suggest using small weights or those high tech elastic bands to build strength in your arms and shoulders. Anyone who has dislocated their shoulder can show you great exercises to strengthen your shoulders. Abdominal curls (or crunches) are a great idea. To make these strengthening sessions effective, you do these exercises more than once a week. One of the exercises I do at pool practice is to do at least 15 hip snaps on each side before I begin.

If you are having problems with any muscle groups (especially your shoulders), or want more information on proper stretching and toning, I would suggest talking to a doctor or physical therapist and get specific exercises from them.

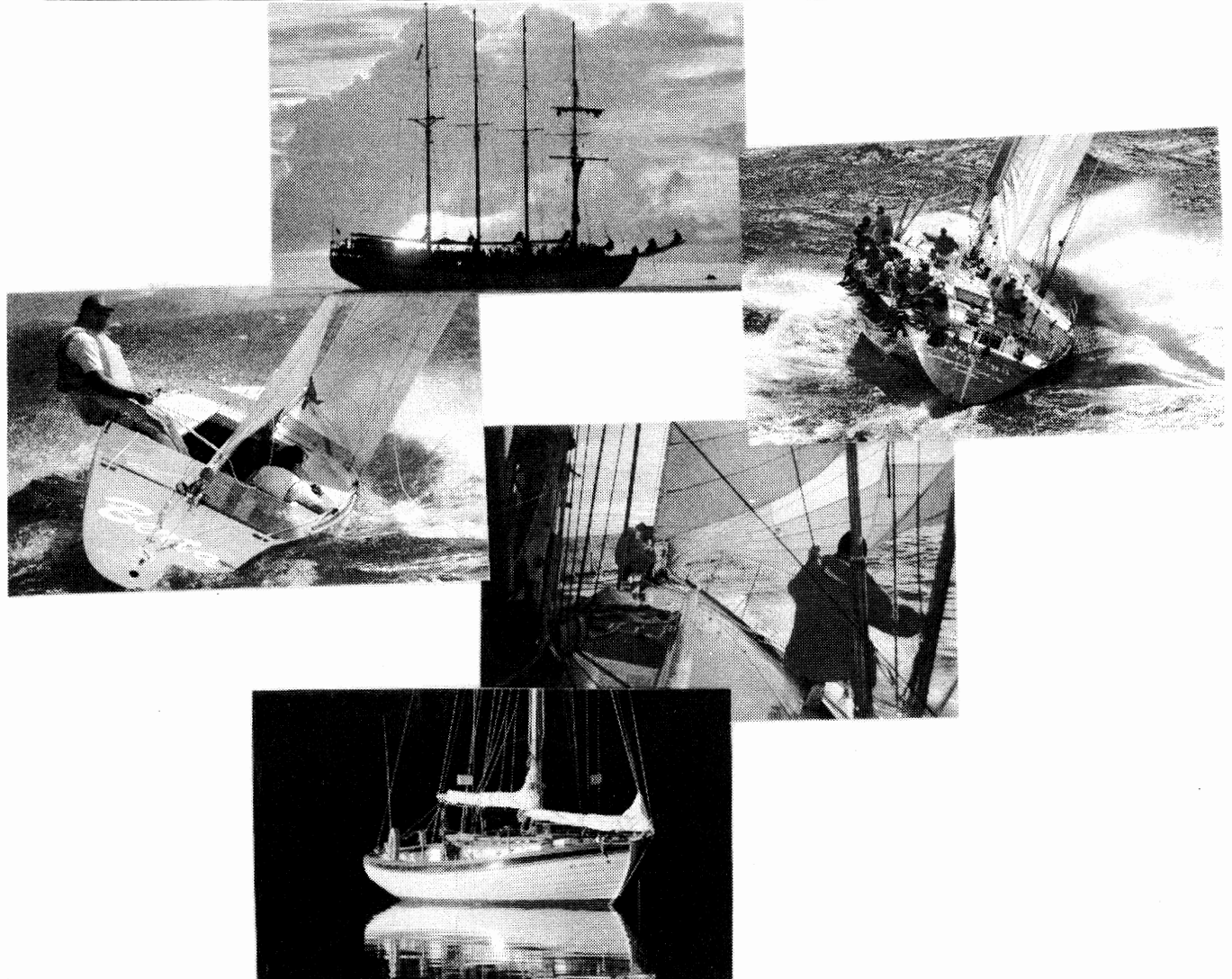
Dive and Sail Roatan

Join the WMC's next Caribbean adventure to the island of Roatan, located in the Bay Islands of Honduras at the southern end of the second longest barrier reef in the world. Roatan offers a high quality dive experience with warm clear water and a variety of interesting marine life and subsea attractions.

While our main activity will be diving, windsurfers, day sailboats and canoes will be available for water sports. A larger sailboat will be available for more serious sailing. Dive boats will offer three dives daily with the opportunity to shore dive, night and day. Several night dives by boat are also planned.

Estimated cost for a full week including all meals, diving and air fare is \$1500 and limited to 16 persons.

The dates for the trip will depend on preliminary response received by trip coordinator Vince Desimone. Call (1-649-6805) to express your interest, recommend dates or to ask questions. August, late October, or early November are currently the most likely dates.



April 1993

It's Time for Thursday Eve Hikes Again

by Dale Green

The first scheduled Thursday Evening Hike this year will start on April 29th. For the uninitiated these hikes start promptly at 6:45pm each Thursday evening and continue through the first week of September. Similar hikes are also held on Wednesdays starting later in the year. The Thursday hikes have the reputation of being somewhat aerobic although there is really no requirement to maintain any particular pace. Often a volunteer will lead a "Turtle Hike" group bringing up the rear. The Wednesday eve hikes are at a "smell the posies" pace.

Initially, the hikes are in the foothills along the mountain front. With melting snows Big Cottonwood and Mill Creek Canyons become accessible and most of our remaining hikes will be in these two canyons. After each hike we regroup for food, drink and witty repartee. When in Mill Creek, the eatery is at Round Table Pizza in the Mt Olympus Shopping Center. Unfortunately our normal meeting place in Big Cottonwood Canyon, the Storm Mountain Picnic Grounds, will be closed all year while they install flush porcelain facilities. If anyone has knowledge of a substitute facility, please let me know. The Canyon Inn is not acceptable. They are anything but fast-food, often crowded, and the rooms smoke filled.

In a further attempt to reduce participation (and eliminate a great many nuisance phone calls) Thursday Eve Hikes are available to paid WMC members only. They are no longer qualifying activities for membership. Wednesday Eve Hikes will accept prospective members.

Several hikes are in designated Wilderness Areas. To lessen impact, I have been separating the crowd into groups of 10-12 each, leaving 5-10 minutes apart. This is almost working. The one major problem has been getting people to leave when a sufficient number has gathered. Please, when it is time to go, you can't wait 5 or 10 minutes for a friend who hasn't arrived yet or has gone for his/her pack. If you can't leave promptly, don't volunteer to be in the group.

Hikes in Big Cottonwood Canyon meet at the Storm Mountain Quartzites geology sign, 2.9 miles up the canyon from the stop light. When hiking in Mill Creek meet in the rear parking lot at the Olympus Hills Shopping Center. Enter from 39th south about a block east of Wasatch Blvd. beyond the Starship Theater sign.

In case you haven't read the Rambler lately or attended recent membership meetings, it is the intention of the Governing Board to require more responsible behavior from WMC members. To respond to these new rules, I am going to enforce the following on Thursday nights: (These rules should not affect the average hiker - as someone said 98% of most rules were made for 2% of the people)

1. Stay on the trail. No short-cutting or taking your own route.

2. No one goes past the designated stopping point. If the hike is too short for you, go somewhere else, and meet us later for pizza. Don't ally yourself with the group which requires the leader to keep track of you. If you are a fast hiker, you may go ahead of the leader but you must stop at the designated point.

3. Everyone going on the hike must sign the liability release form. A few individuals refuse to do this, figuring that by not doing so they can still hike with the group but have the right to do anything they want without control of the leader.

4. Most importantly, everyone turns back when the leader says, even though you haven't reached the summit.

The only method I have of ensuring that rules are adhered to is to deny participation in further Thursday Eve Hikes. Hopefully, this will be a great year with good hiking companions. The flora should be fantastically verdant and abundant.

Snake Stories: Text & Sketch by Trudy Healy

The Wasatch Mountains have their share of rattlesnakes. Once I led a Mountain Club hike to a basin in Broads Fork where the usual goal is a meadow with a magnificent view. There is a little pond just beyond which is unknown to the usual Broads Fork hiker. I persuaded my group to go and see something new and led them to this little rock basin lake. As we stood there admiring its beauty, something buzzed—a very nice middle-sized rattler.

Another time I was by myself, hiking along the ridge connecting Mount Aire and Grandeur. There is no maintained trail, one can pick up deer runs through the dense oak brush, but there are also rock slabs and long stretches of broken stone, on which it is fairly easy to walk. Keeping on open rock as far as possible, I reached a sharp outcropping, the top consisting of boulders piled up. And there, on the very highest point lay curled the biggest, fattest rattlesnake I had ever seen, a veritable monster of a snake, apparently fast asleep. How exciting! Although I had my camera, I had no telelens. I set the distance to three feet and stealthily, I thought, approached. Something went wrong; when I was at four feet, the whole coil of snake jumped up almost vertically, then lashed out—away from me, and disappeared. Glory be! I stored my camera and moved on. Not so much farther I came to attractive, red rock slabs. I heard a rattle—just a middle-sized creature this time. I had no more adventures on the rest of this trip.

I'm sure everybody loves snake stories. Have patience, there are just one or two more.

I had scrambled up Mount Raymond from the east side and descended on the west, hitting a trail farther down. This one

is my favorite Wasatch path, beautifully laid out, extremely scenic. The grade is quite even and never very steep except for a short distance just below an overlook. As usual I was running, hopping down this gravelly stretch when I slipped and sailed on the seat of my pants down the incline until I came to a stop flat on my back with my head under some bushes. You guessed it—right next to my head a rattler buzzed into my ear. I must have startled and scared the poor snake and I apologized profoundly before continuing on my way.

Our desert has a variety of snakes but they are not usually out during the daytime. The only rattlesnakes I ever saw in the desert were quite small and always near water. Just once I met a few bigger ones in the southern Red Rock canyons. I was on a Wasatch Mountain Club backpack in the Kolob area of Zion National Park; we had been to Kolob Arch and were hiking back down to our camp. I was walking with Mike Budig when all of a sudden he said: "You stepped over that rattlesnake, didn't you see it?"

I really hadn't. I was just glad I hadn't stepped ON it. We continued on our way.

"Trudy," Mike said accusingly after a little while, "Do you always do this?"

"Do what?" I asked. "Step over rattlesnakes?" This time, I looked. Indeed, I had done it again! "I'll be more careful," I promised.

Not much after this Mike sounded exasperated: "You did it again, but this time it's dead anyway—somebody must have killed it."

"Poor thing," I murmured; but this was the last rattler of the day.



WASATCH FRONT FORUM

The Great Salt Lake, Our National Treasure Where it is now, plan for its future.

Tuesday, April 13, 1993
First Unitarian Church (569 S. 1300 E.)
7 pm panel discussion, social hour follows program.

This forum will briefly provide an overview of the ecology of the Great Salt Lake, its bird population and plans projected for the future of the South Shore (extending from Farmington Bay to Saltair) by city and county governments and environmentalists. These include plans for a major new highway running from Davis County to the airport; the Lake Davis, a plan to create a freshwater lake utilizing the Antelope Island Causeway; and a vision put together by a group of environmentalists and government agency representatives called the South Shore Coalition.

The Great Salt Lake is one in a series of meetings sponsored by the Wasatch Front Forum, a newly formed organization created to provide a forum for Utahns to learn more about the natural history of the Wasatch Front and the legal, political and social issues facing public land managers and local governments. WFF is supported by the Utah Chapter of the Sierra Club, The Wasatch Mountain Club, Great Salt Lake Audubon, The Utah Nordic Alliance, the Utah Wilderness Association and the Citizens' Committee to Save Our Canyons. Watch for notices of future meetings.

If you have any questions or are interested in helping the Wasatch Front Forum, or if you want to be on the mailing list, please call Tom Berggren or Ann Wechsler at 363-9621 (Sierra Club) or write c/o P.O. Box 58671, SLC, UT 84158-0671.

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB, INC.

by Dale Green

Every applicant for membership to our Club signs a statement: "I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the WMC." Because of an accumulation of problems with lack of leadership and members who want to act independently of the group, a committee has been formed to formulate new, enforceable rules for how we are to behave on Club outings. These should be published in the new membership manual next June. In the meantime the current rules are printed below. It is the intention of the Governing Board to publish these every month in the *Rambler*.

GENERAL RULES OF CONDUCT

1. In the event of any accident or rescue, the expenses incurred shall be the sole responsibility of the individual incurring said expenses whether or not said individual shall deem them necessary.
2. No person shall be permitted to carry or use firearms.
3. All persons will refrain from needless destruction of plant and animal life.
4. No short-cutting on trails.
5. The trip leader is in full charge and all persons will be governed by her/his decisions.
6. No person shall be allowed to participate in a trip if, in the opinion of the leader, she/he is not qualified and adequately equipped to successfully complete the trip.
7. Leave camps and trails in the same or better condition than found. Carry all non-burnable trash (cans, glass, foil, etc.) back out.
8. Obnoxious indulgence in alcoholic beverages will not be tolerated in connection with Club functions.
9. Children can be taken on hikes with permission of leader in advance.

TRIP TALK

The Yurt from Outer Space

by Kyle Williams

Monday morning 5:45, my radio alarm clock clicked on and through a haze I heard the news dude blare the weekend wrap-up, "If you spent the weekend on Mars, here's the news you missed. Blah, blah, blah. NBA All Star game ... blah, blah, blah. Five skiers lost in an avalanche in Colorado, blah, blah, bl...". Click! as the peace settled around by snooze button,

I mused, "So that's where we were!" I know we got lost once but... Mars? Six of us spent 3 days at a backcountry Yurt up Logan canyon (we thought).

All Stars? The stars we saw were stretched across a moonless night, the 3 day blizzard clearing only briefly, just long enough to see the most incredible display of firmament ever.

An avalanche in Colorado? With 2 1/2 feet of snow falling in a heavy wind, we were on the

lookout for our own! With visibility down to 50 yards the whole weekend, we might as well have been on Mars.

The trip started out under dubious conditions. It was raining. Undaunted, we headed up the Bunchgrass canyon trail, the rain turning to snow. Heavy deep snow turned into light deeper snow, making trailbreaking a frequent rotation. As we approached the yurt, buried under the snow, we almost missed it!

Once dug out, we had a cozy 3 day home: plenty of fire wood, cut and stacked, bunks for 6, cozy wood stove, even a braided oval rug on the floor! We couldn't have been more comfortable at the Hilton, until all that tea we drank caught up with us! Every trip outside was an event with bundling up, even to the gaiters and goggles to brave the storm answering the Call of the Wild.

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Braving the elements and doing fine!! Logan Yurt has its own outside facility! Photo by Kyle Williams

The Yurt from Outer Space

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All too soon the time came to depart. We kept casting longing glances back to our Mongolian Mansion, wishing we could stay longer. Our outer space flight touched down at the Logan highway where earth-life slapped us up side of the head. We had to dig out the cars! "Beam us back up to the yurt Scotty. There's no sign of decent skiing down here!"

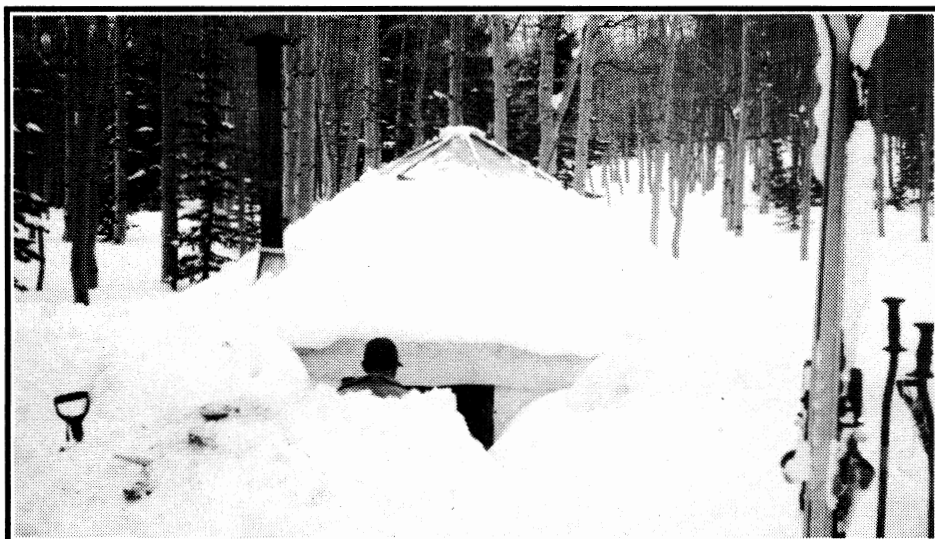


What could be better? Tom Walsh, Leslie Woods, and Daphne, snug and warm in a yurt away from home. Photo by Kyle Williams

A huge pot on the stove kept the snow melting for water, but 2% density powder doesn't melt real well. Water production became a major part of keeping house.

The next few days were filled with great camaraderie, and even greater skiing. After setting a climbing path, it was non-stop fun in snow so light that crossing a previous ski cut wasn't even noticed! The powder billowed over our waists as we cut endless turns. Did I mention that the skiing was superb?

"Bart Simpson is the arch-type of today's youth culture....," so went the weekend discussion led and expounded on by Brian and Tom. Be afraid. Be very afraid!



*Photos by Kyle Williams
Rich Osborne, the skier
Kyle, the man
Logan, the Yurt*

"The Yurt!"



"The Man"



"The Skier"

IN REMEMBRANCE

EDITH COOK GREEN

December 3, 1906 - December 23, 1992

Edith Cook Green (Cookie), WMC Life Member and first women President of the Club, recently passed away at age 86. Edith joined the Mountain Club in 1927 where she met her husband-to-be, Sammy Dean Green. They married in 1936. She and Sammy were devoted members and both served many years on the Board of Directors in various capacities.

Thanks to her interest in our Club's history, she gathered together perhaps the most complete collection of early *Ramblers* known to exist and donated them to the Univ. of Utah Special Collections Library. Because Sammy had photographed much of the Club's history during the period of their activity, Edith was able to assemble a very large collection of photographs after his death which were donated to the same library.

ALICE KAY TASSAINER DEWELL

January 10, 1940 - January 17, 1993

After an extended illness from brain cancer, Alice Dewell passed away at age 53. Alice was active in hiking, river-running and kayaking.

She is survived by her husband, J Dewell, a son, and 3 step-children.

Equador—Antisana Highlands Trek Trekking Among Majestic Volcanoes off the

Andes

Date: July 2-11, 1993

Limit: 10 people

Details: Call Crystal Sysak 943-0316
or 277-9988

Free Clinics at REI 3285 East 3300 South

- April 6 Utahns on Everest
- April 13 Exploring the Canyon Country
- April 20 Alaskan Wilderness
- April 27 Mountain bike touring on the
Colorado Plateau

All workshops begin at 7:00 pm. For more information, call Marty Stum or Kelly Davis (486-2100).

April 6
Doug Hanson will present the attempt of five Utah climbers to scale the Northwest face of Mt. Everest during the fall of 1992.

April 13
Karla VanderZanden, Executive Director of Canyonlands Field Institute, will present various camping, recreational, and educational opportunities for this spring in the redrock country around Moab.

April 20
Kirk Nichols will present slides of Denali National Park, the Alaska Range, Chena River State Park, and the White Mountain Roadless Area with an emphasis on backpacking, skiing and boating opportunities.

April 27
Rob Shepherd and Pat Weiler of REI's cycle shop will discuss the Kokopelli and White Rim Trails as well as lesser known biking trails. Necessary equipment, trip planning and packing of mountain bikes will also be discussed.

Classified Ad Policy

The *Rambler* cannot accept any ad that is inconsistent with the purposes of the WMC or offends the sensibilities of club members. Send your ad (with a check enclosed if it is not a used sports equipment) before the 13th of the month to Sue deVall, 11730 South 700 West, Draper UT 84020 or call Sue at 572-3294 for information.

Members may place classified ads for used sports equipment free of charge. Other classified ads require a \$5.00 donation to the WMC for up to 20 words with \$.20 per word over 20. Words of 2 letters or less will not count as a word.

MT. HOOD AND MT. RAINIER: Anyone with basic mountaineering experience who is interested in climbing one or both of these peaks in late May or early June, please call Laurel Anderton at (263-1737).

EDUCATIONAL VIDEO on endangered species for children in grades 3-6. Exceptional tape plus follow along book makes learning and caring fun! Developed in part by the National Wildlife Federation. Call for Kip at (536-4625-days) or (974-0855-evenings).

BIKE: Houdaille Powercam long distance touring bike, 60 tooth sprocket, 23" frame, 14 speed, ridden only 300 miles. **RARE OFFER—\$150.**

SKIS: Hexcel Splitail 185cm, Solomon 747 bindings—used one season—\$150. Call (571-3704).

JARVINEN: 215 cm woodies \$30/offer

ASNES: Tur-Model 210 cm \$40/offer

ROLLERBLADES: Zetra 100, size 11 \$75

ROSSIGNOL: Carbon 700, salomon bindings, 205 cm \$40 and **TREK ROADEBIKE:** 300 series, 67 cm 190/offer. Call Dave after 6:00 pm (466-7579).

ATOMIC F-6 SKIS: 200cm, great condition, call Kelly (272-8059).

DOWN SLEEPING BAG: REI Mt. McKinley Expedition, mummy style, 80" long, 3 lbs fill, \$90. Call LeRoy (582-6890 H or 581-3984 W)

SLEEPING BAG: REI polarguard, 15° rated, \$150. Call (572-3294).

SPRINGBAR 955 TENT: Two doors and full coverage rainfly, \$80.

ALPENLIT EXTERNAL FRAM PACK: \$40

SEVA 123 STOVE: Includes base and pressure pump, \$15. Call Jim (485-4334) after 6:30 pm.

SKIS: Hexcel Splitail 185 cm, Solomon 747 bindings. Used one season, \$150. Call Jim (571-7304).

CANOE: Dimension by Dagger—solo/tandem 16', outfitted, exc. cond. Call (486-1476).

WANTED

TWIN BABY JOGGER: Call Ita (322-4022), leave message.

SKY CALENDAR

MOON

Full Moon	Apr 06	May 05	Jun 04
Last Qtr	Apr 13	May 12	Jun 11
New Moon	Apr 21	May 21	Jun 19
First Qtr	Apr 29	May 28	Jun 26

MOONRISE

Apr 03	4:30 pm	May 01	3:15 pm
Apr 10	Midnight	May 08	11:30 pm
Apr 17	4:30 am	May 15	3:00 am
Apr 24	8:00 am	May 22	6:30 am
		May 29	2:15 pm

NOTE: Moonrise times are for 40 degrees north latitude, 112 degrees west longitude. Add about an hour for each day later than the given date and another hour if you are in the mountains.

SOURCE: The Astronomical Almanac for 1993

PLANETS:

VENUS is the actor in April. After her rapid plunge from the western sky in March she reappears as the morning star early in April. **MERCURY** is also in the dawn sky in early April and will trade places with **VENUS** about April 16, so if you watch carefully from some place with a low horizon, you may figure out which is which. On April 19, the waxing crescent **VENUS** (you may see the crescent with a telescope or good binoculars) will rise just behind the waning crescent moon just before sunup.

MARS is still wandering around in Gemini, and on April 14 will once again pass by the bright star Pollux eastbound.

JUPITER rises bright in the east at sunset.

COVER PHOTO CONTEST

FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS THE EDITORS ARE SOLICITING GREAT PICTURES FOR OUR UPCOMING RAMBLER COVERS.

The best will be selected and special recognition will be forthcoming in the *Rambler* and a small prize for the best three covers pictures of the year. We'll ask the members to vote on the cover photos we print during the remainder of this year and at the banquet, 3 prizes will be awarded. Others will be used inside the *Rambler*. Submit with notation: Cover Photo.

ATTENTION SINGLES!!!!

The Utah Chapter of the Sierra Club has a singles group which holds potlucks at members' homes at least monthly. Membership in the Sierra Club is welcomed but not mandatory. We would enjoy having WMC members join us for these entertaining evenings. Call Carolyn Jones (359-9814) for more information.

Earth Day April 22nd

Join the Earth Day Utah celebration this year! Earth Day Utah represents local communities, is non-profit and is composed of volunteers dedicated to engaging the public in events and projects which provide opportunities for public education and learning and ultimately serve to enhance the environmental quality of this inherently beautiful state. Another timely event of interest to WMC members: Earth Day Fair at Tracy Aviary. See latest in environmentally sound products and practices. Call Julie DeLong (944-5814) or Cindy Spigle (265-4311) for more information.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB

Membership applicants must participate in at least two Club outdoor or service activities, verified by the signatures of approval from the activity leaders. Yearly dues are \$25.00 single, \$35.00 couple. A \$5.00 initiation/reinstatement fee is charged.

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WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB
APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERS/REINSTATEMENT FOR PREVIOUS MEMBERS
RAMBLER SUBSCRIPTION FORM
DO NOT USE THIS FORM TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Please read carefully and fill out completely.

APPLICANT(S) NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ DAY PHONE _____ BIRTH DATE _____

I HEREBY APPLY FOR

____ NEW MEMBERSHIP ____ STUDENT (30 years or younger)

____ REINSTATEMENT ____ COUPLE

I wish to receive the RAMBLER (The WMC Publication) YES ____ NO ____

Subscription price is NOT deductible from the dues.

Enclosed is \$ _____ for one year's dues and application fee (Mar 1, 19__ to Feb 28, 19__).

** (CHECKS ONLY) Make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club**

Remit: \$20.00 for student membership (\$15.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)

\$30.00 for single membership (\$25.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)

\$40.00 for couple membership (\$35.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)

YOU MUST COMPLETE TWO CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR MEMBERSHIP CONSIDERATION
THE ACTIVITY DATES MUST HAVE BEEN WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE APPLICATION

QUALIFYING ACTIVITY	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECOMMENDING LEADER
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____

I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the WMC. I am 18 years of age or older. I understand that outdoor activities involve risk, and that I am responsible for determining the suitability of my ability and equipment in advance of participating in any WMC activity. I release and discharge the WMC agents and representatives from all claims for property and personal injury sustained as a result of participation in WMC activities. I am willing to serve the WMC in the following areas (please check):

__ Service Projects __ Lodge Work __ Conservation __ Rambler __ Thur Night Hikes
 __ Hike Leader __ Boat Leader __ Ski Leader __ Social Assistant

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____
(signature required)

I found out about the WMC from _____

MAIL APPLICATION AND CHECK TO: MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR
Wasatch Mountain Club
888 South 200 East Suite 207
Salt Lake City, UT 84111-4220

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RECEIPT # _____	DATE RECEIVED _____	AMOUNT RECEIVED _____
(OR CHECK#) _____		(LESS APPLICATION FEE)
BOARD APPROVAL DATE _____		

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